

permits the use of either registered or certified mail as alternates to each other.

Subsection (c) of this section is revised to require that the notice to the insurance carrier also be sent by registered or certified mail, to conform to the similar provisions of subsection (a) (2).

16-603. LIABILITY FOR PAYMENT TO PATIENT AFTER NOTICE OF LIEN.

AFTER THE FILING AND MAILING OF THE NOTICE OF LIEN, IF ANY PERSON MAKES ANY PAYMENT TO THE PATIENT, HIS ATTORNEY, HEIRS, OR PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE AS COMPENSATION FOR THE INJURIES, WITHOUT PAYING THE HOSPITAL THE AMOUNT OF THE LIEN AS PROVIDED IN §16-601 OF THIS SUBTITLE OR AS MUCH OF THE LIEN AS MAY BE SATISFIED BY ANY MONEY DUE UNDER ANY FINAL JUDGMENT OR UNDER ANY COMPROMISE OR SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT AFTER PAYING THE AMOUNT OF ANY PRIOR LIEN, HE IS LIABLE TO THE HOSPITAL FOR A PERIOD OF ONE YEAR FROM THE DATE OF MAKING PAYMENT TO THE PATIENT, HIS ATTORNEY, HEIRS, OR PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE.

REVISOR'S NOTE: This section is new language derived without substantive change from Art. 63, §48.

16-604. INSPECTION OF HOSPITAL RECORDS.

ANY PERSON WHO IS LEGALLY LIABLE FOR OR AGAINST WHOM A CLAIM IS ASSERTED BY A PATIENT FOR COMPENSATION FOR INJURIES SHALL BE PERMITTED TO INSPECT THE RECORDS OF THE HOSPITAL IN ORDER TO EVALUATE THE BASIS OF THE HOSPITAL'S LIEN AND TO ASCERTAIN THE ITEMIZED HOSPITAL DEPARTMENTAL CHARGES FOR THE PERIOD OF THE PATIENT'S CONFINEMENT. NOTICE OF THE INSPECTION SHALL BE MAILED TO THE PATIENT.

REVISOR'S NOTE: This section is new language derived without substantive change from Art. 63, §49.

16-605. HOSPITAL LIEN DOCKET.

(A) INFORMATION IN DOCKET.

THE CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT SHALL PROVIDE A HOSPITAL LIEN DOCKET. ON THE FILING OF A NOTICE OF LIEN UNDER THE PROVISIONS OF THIS SUBTITLE, THE CLERK SHALL ENTER IN THE HOSPITAL LIEN DOCKET:

(1) THE NAME OF THE INJURED PATIENT;

(2) THE NAME OF THE PERSON ALLEGED TO BE LIABLE FOR THE PATIENT'S INJURIES;